

DIDSBURY PIONEER.

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DIDSBURY.

A brief history of the town, its location, climate, advantages, business men and progress.

The village is situated on the C. & E. Railway fifty miles from Calgary and about one hundred miles from Edmonton. The location is a favorable one, being in the heart of a level strip of level prairie country, with very fertile soil, well adapted for stock raising and mixed farming. The town is growing rapidly. Not only but a substantial and healthy growth, which promises to be more marked the coming year, than even the past one has been. The people of the community are of a lively, energetic disposition, who have come here from different parts of the country with the determination of being successful, many coming from Ontario. Also many people from the states are locating in this immediate vicinity. Schools and churches are being established throughout the community and people now, or will have equal advantages of other places, along these lines. The town itself has a very good school, with already two departments. There are four churches in the town. The climate is pleasant as a rule and

quite equitable throughout the year, the mercury seldom registering lower than 25 degrees below zero and that only for a short time, while in summer it very seldom passes ninety. The most pleasant months are usually September and October. The business firms will be taken up separately and brief history of each given.

C. HIEBERT.

Mr. Hiebert may be spoken of as the Pioneer Merchant of the village as when he came here in 1900 there was but one small store in the place and that has changed hands since then giving Mr. Hiebert the honor of being the oldest business resident in the town. When he came to the place there was no hotel the buildings here consisting of the above, mercantile store, and Mr. Hiebert was obliged to lodge with his family in a box car until he was enabled to erect a shack for himself. He first engaged in general merchandise and lumber business with E. P. Dick the present proprietor of Didsbury Livery. Later Mr. Hiebert disposed of his general merchandise business and is now engaged in the lumber business but at present is in the lumber exclusively.

He now carries on at Didsbury and Carstairs and has complete stock in both places, which is open for public inspection. All visitors may be assured of courteous and honest treatment. Any information on the matter of the property given by him. Having been in the business so long he is in a position to give you the most accurate knowledge of the property in building. His office at this place may be found at the corner of Hospital and 1st street, where you are always welcome.

THE PIONEER BANK OF CANADA.

The above bank which is the Pioneer Bank of the Northwest opened here for business on the 26th inst. and has therefore supplied a much needed service in Didsbury and district. A good safe has been secured on main street, facing the hotel and the building has been neatly furnished and decorated so that it stands out as a landmark to the residents of the town. The bank runs a Savings Department on which the very highest interest is allowed; and Depositors may open an account, however small their saving may be. Sterling Drafts are bought and sold at a profit and most convenient way of remitting money is by bank draft which are issued by the Union Bank as the very cheapest means of remitting by bank draft you may expect prompt payment at the office where cashable. A General Banking Business is transacted and the Bank is desirous of the patronage of those residents in the district who are concerned dealings. The branch has the charge of Mr. E. E. Irwin as Manager, Mr. J. Verill and Mr. J. Wilson accountants who came from the Winnipeg office.

NOTE: The above was handed to us and is for the use of the public and is not to be used for any other purpose.

Didsbury's Pioneer Store

* * Dealers in * *

Dry Goods, Ready Made Clothing, Gents Furnishings, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, Groceries and Crockery.

Dried and Salt Meats, Flour Feed, Furniture and Undertaking.

OUR motto: "Square Dealings All Value."

LIESEMER & STUDER

MARKET REPORT

Oats..... \$ 25
Wheat..... 40
Potatoes..... 12
Butter..... 11
Eggs..... 5

DR. LEONARD DENNETT
a Specialist.



DIDSBURY



Fourth Monthly Street Fair

Will be held at

DIDSBURY

Tuesday, February 24, 1903.

\$2,100.00 sold at last fair and expect to double it at this one.

Big Auction Sale of Stock and Farm Implements on this date.

(Watch for Bills.)

Past Fairs have proven good markets and you cannot afford to miss this one.

DIDSBURY BOARD OF TRADE.

Remember the date, February 24

Everybody is coming to this one.

THE PIONEER

PUBLISHED AT DIDSBURY, ALTA.
C. H. CROW, Editor.

Subscription: One Dollar per year in advance. All arrears of six months or more will be at the rate of \$4.50 per year.

Advertising Rates quoted on application. Correspondence solicited on all matters of public interest, and name of writer should always accompany such articles.

All copy from correspondents and changes of advertisements should be at this office, not later than Thursday noon each week.

C. P. R. Time Table.

No. 27, going north 10.50
No. 28, going south 12.20
Daily except Sunday.

SALUTATORY.

To The Pioneer
In taking up this work the object of the editor is to promote the welfare of the town and surrounding country, to which end we invite the hearty co-operation of all, and we shall use every honorable means at our command to effect the same. We shall endeavor to give the news in a complete and impartial manner and correspondence is solicited on all matters of public interest but articles of personal nature must be accompanied by the name of the writer and the Editor reserves the right to accept or decline all of such character.

Politically we shall give the news from an independent standpoint as we feel that in a small place it is best not to take up party issues. Again asking the hearty co-operation of all and thanking one all for courtesies already shown we remain respectfully,
EDITOR.

We are a little late this week but trust that our patrons will bear with us as we are greatly rushed straightening up and getting things in shape. We shall endeavor to be more prompt in the future and be out on our regular publication day (Friday.) If the paper is not up to the expectations of the public do not hesitate to say so, we will endeavor to see what the publication will be after we are fairly installed.

THE DIDSBURY BOARD OF TRADE

—Was organized in September, 1902, for the purpose of assisting in and promoting the progress of the town. Dr. Gaddes was elected Chairman and Jas. Stauffer, Secretary. One of the first efforts put forth by them was the plan for holding a monthly Street Fair. The first of these being held on the last Wednesday in November and one in each month since which have proven very satisfactory to the public. The next effort made was towards securing a banking business in the town. The Manager of The Canadian Bank of Commerce was corresponded with and came to look the territory over but declined to come into the field. In the meantime the Manager of the Union Bank of Canada, became interested and looked the territory over and was so enthusiastic over the opening that he immediately leased a building for one year and the bank is now located here and doing a good business and proving very satisfactory to the public. Also through their efforts a newspaper has been established in the town.

The Board have been unceasing in their efforts to promote the welfare of the town and still have several more projects for further improvements. While they have had the hearty co-operation of the village, still too much credit cannot be given them for the good work already done. May their future efforts be as successful as have been their former ones. With the same co-operation in the future as in the past much may still be accomplished. Let all give every encouragement and assistance in our power to assist them in their efforts.

We are sending out a great many sample copies the first few weeks and trust that those receiving them will kindly accept same as they are for the purpose of placing the paper in the hands of the public. These sample copies will be sent out for two or three weeks, after examining them if you think the publication is worthy of patronage please send your subscription.

ALEXANDRA HOTEL,

Didsbury, Alta.

M. BARRETT, Proprietor.

Good Accommodations.

Good Sample Rooms.

Livery in connection.

The building has lately been remodeled and is up to date in every respect.

It is reported that the C. P. R. has leased the C. & E. road for ninety years. The people will now know what to expect.

The next Street Fair will be held on Tuesday, the 24th day of this month and greater preparations are being made than for former ones. The town determined these fairs shall be a success. Anyone having articles to put for sale or trade are requested to bring them in on this date. An auctioneer will be on the ground and those having property to dispose of have the chance of either private sale or public auction.

C. W. Rowley of Calgary was in the village Saturday last and expressed his sympathy for the Didsbury people in their misfortune in the locating of the Union Bank of Canada at the place. We are of the opinion that Mr. Rowley knows a good thing "out" as the Union Bank is doing a good business and is eminently satisfactory to the general public; even with Mr. Rowley's opinion to the contrary.

Ben Dick has been having a somewhat peculiar experience the past week in connection with a deal he had a short time since. When Mr. Dick was at Ods on fair day he was approached by A. J. Odell who has been travelling salesman for the Kinniburgh Piano Co. Odell represented to Mr. Dick that he had just received a message from the Co. recalling him to Calgary and to dispose of the outfit which he had with, consisting of rig horses and harness and prevailed upon Ben to buy the outfit. After a few days having use for the second seat which belonged to the rig, Ben sent to Calgary for it, and was informed by the proprietors that they knew nothing of the transaction. They came up the next day to look in to the matter. Ben had taken a bill of sale from Odell and in the meantime disposed of the team. We are informed that the proprietors have got on the track of Odell and are not inclined to make trouble here over the affair.

If that cough hurts

Get a little Jeann Cough Syrup.

Pleasant to take and stops a cough.

If baby is sick get baby's own Tablets.

Made for the baby.

If you are sick get a bottle of Jeann Pills.

They don't belong the union, they work.

When they have an opportunity.

These and other good fresh drugs at the
DIDSBURY DRUG STORE.

D. C. CORBITT & SON GENERAL MERCHANTS.

Dealers in

Dry Goods.	Groceries.
Boots & Shoes.	Clothing.
Men's Furnishings.	Nails.
Hardware.	Oils Etc..
Paints.	A full supply.

Why do we get the large patronage that we have?

1. OUR groceries are always fresh. They are the best and the prices are always guaranteed.
2. OUR Dry Goods are always new and up to date because they arrive every two months.
3. When You buy a suit of clothes, they appear well, fit well and wear well.
4. When You buy a pair of boots or shoes they are guaranteed and if not satisfactory you can get another pair.
5. OUR Gents Furnishing Department is the most complete and up to date one in Didsbury.
6. We are sole agents in DIDSBURY for International Stock food. Call and get a large STOCK BOOK free. We solicit your patronage.

D. C. CORBITT & SON.

Carstairs.

Fred Pryce and Billy Larson ran a foot race at carstairs 60 Friday night for a \$25 purse Pryce won on "ya neck"

Mr Kennedy of Ottawa is opening up a drug store on Main St.

A large 30x50 sale stable will be erected in town. A livery will be run in connection.

Band Concert Thursday eve.
A number of the sports will accompany the Olds Didsbury Hockey Team to Calgary Friday night.

C. W. HEMBLING CONTRACTOR & BUILDER.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.
Prices Moderate.
Saw filing and general falling done at all times. Give me a call.

The Didsbury Literary and Debating society held their regular meeting Monday evening a good house was in attendance and good selection of songs and recitations delivered. The debate on the subject of "Resolved; that Combined Labor has a Right to strike." The Affirmative led by G. B. Sexsmith Messrs Hembling art Metcalf and the Negative by Messrs. Gaddes Brodie Chatham, an interesting discussion on of the subject followed the debate being in favor of the affirmative by the house. The next meeting of 10-15-11 will be held on Monday evening 23rd inst.

G. B. Sexsmith, AUCTIONEER Satisfaction Guaranteed. DIDSBURY

The Canadian Entertainers will appear at Didsbury in the Presbyterian church on Friday evening Feb. 27 1904.

The Merchants Bank of Canada have opened up for business in Ods.

Miss Ethel Raymer who has been staying at Calgary for some time past returned to her home at this place last Saturday.

J. R. Good of Calgary Stayed with his parents at this place.

LUMBER! OF ALL KINDS, Prices Right Too! If you contemplate Building give me a CALL. **I. D. FEHR.**

How about the Olds Hockey team, Didsbury is still in the field, or is Olds afraid of "Gullies and Badger Holes?"

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C. L. PETERSON, NOTARY PUBLIC, J. P., CONVEYANCER, AUDITOR, ACCOUNTANT, ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES, ETC.

The Canadian entertainers at the Presbyterian church on the 27th.

Messrs. James & Ouellette proprietors of the saw mill west of here on the little Red Deer were transacting business in this vicinity several days this week.

Be sure to read the ads in this issue as there is something in them for all

C. Hiebert.

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* BUILDING ? *

Is a pleasure for those that have the funds to do it with and sometimes a necessity to those also, I am here to supply you with all kinds of BUILDING MATERIAL and give you my assistance free of charge, from building a claim Shanty to an up to date Residence, so don't fail to see my supply of FINISHED LUMBER.

I am keeping a bigger supply of it under roof than any other yard between Calgary and Edmonton.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting all of you on the corner of

HESPLER & RAILWAY I remain,
Respectfully,

C. HIEBERT.

**This space
reserved for
N. Boehmer.
Watch it.**

25 lb box of 40 to 50 pines at Cooper Bros at \$1.75.

If you miss the street fair this month you will regret it.

D. E. Ramsey attended the band concert at Carstairs Thursday evening. The Olds Hockey Club play a picked team at Calgary this evening.

Have you seen those nice wool top shirts Corbett is offering so cheap.

The Homestead Inspector and Mr. McPherson made a trip to the Ghost Pine mines last week.

C. L. Peterson starts the ball rolling by depositing the first dollar on subscription for the PIONEER.

Dr. Gaddies visited Calgary Tuesday. Several of our boys were Olds visitors Wednesday.

Didsbury's Fourth Monthly Street Fair Tuesday Feb. 24th. It is safe to attend for she is going to be a hummer this time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Peterson of Lussail are visiting at their Parents Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Peterson.

Call at Coopers and see the complete line of dry goods just opened up. The coldest day of the season 25 below zero.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has withdrawn from Olds very suddenly by the order of — never mind who she has gone and no questions asked.

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Watch for D. C. Corbett & Son's add next week.

The seats are being placed in the E. V. church and the work is rapidly being completed.

A. J. Lapworth sign painter and home decorator is doing the town this week.

The C. P. R. bridge gang are repairing the bridge south of town this week.

The Presbyterians in the vicinity of Dog Pond held an entertainment on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt are rejoicing over arrival of a fine boy girl in their home.

The building boom will soon commence, and several contracts are in negotiation now.

Miss Louise Blondin of Lodge has accepted a position in the Alexandra Hotel.

Several Didsburyites expect to attend the Olds Calgary Hockey Match at Calgary to day.

When you want to buy a bill of first class groceries call on D. C. Corbett, (Red Front Store.)

The new German Evangelist Church will be opened for service the first Sunday in March.

A new block is soon to be erected for N. Boehmer who will install a complete line of fine Dress Goods.

Mr. Otterbine made a business trip to Calgary Tuesday, returning on Wednesday.

Miss Lottie Lutz has resigned her position at the Alexandra hotel. We are informed that Miss Lutz intends going to Calgary in the near future.

A very pleasant surprise was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymer on Wednesday evening. The gathering was in honor of Miss Ethel who has been staying at Calgary for some time past. Games and social entertainment was indulged in by the young people until the wee small hours when all returned to their respective homes.

Trade at Didsbury, Tomorrow is Valentine day.

Everything in winter goods going at wholesale prices at Corbett's.

Win. Liesmer and wife returned from Ontario on Monday last.

See Cooper Bros special 40 to 50 pines at \$1.75.

Several new signs are being painted by Mr. Lapworth.

See that fine line of new shoes at Cooper Bros.

Mr. J. Crough visited Calgary Thursday.

D. C. Christie was a Carstairs visitor Thursday.

1500 pair of heavy winter rubbers going at wholesale prices at Corbett's.

Mr. Barrett and daughter Mable visited At Leduc last week.

It is rumored that D. C. Corbett will enlarge his store soon.

Cooper Bros. have placed in their store a pair of the latest Toledo computing scales.

H. Tricker was North several days this week in the interest of the McCormick Harvesting Co.

Jos. Stauffer came up from Carstairs, Monday, Jan. is now a fixture at that place and says Didsbury is slow for him.

The Olds Calgary hockey match at Calgary resulted in favor of Calgary by a score of 7-0. They play again Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Boehmer and family have moved into town and are staying at the hotel for the present.

The report of the town meeting will be given in detail in another column of this paper.

All who have relatives and friends in the east and south who are interested in the northwest, should call at this office and get sample copies of this paper and send to them.

The Didsbury markets will be found on another page and you may depend on them being correct every week.

The sand and stone are being hauled for the foundation of the Boehmer block and work will commence immediately.

Patronize our advertisers they are responsible.

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A car of stock, all just arrived. Special prices on 5 and 12 barrels at Coope Bros.

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C. L. Peterson has the finest collection of curiosities and relics that we have seen in many days. There are birds of all varieties found in the country neatly mounted and arranged in a very tasty manner. There are animals of several varieties. Specimens taken from the mountains, from the plains, from the lakes the ocean and from Europe. Curiosities from all parts of the earth. Sea shells of many description. At some future date we will publish a more complete description of this fine collection although we can not begin to do the subject justice at the present our time is so limited we give a more complete description.

Fine winter weather
Subscribe for the PIONEER
THE PIONEER Vol. 1, No. 1.
Our Job department is new and complete give us a call.
A Co-operative Store is the next thing contemplated at Olds.
The Union Bank now boasts of a fine new sign A. J. Lapworth the Artist.

<p>WELCOME ALL</p> <h1>CLEARANCE SALE</h1> <p>WELCOME ALL</p> <h2>OF WINTER GOODS.</h2> <p>All Winter Goods must go in order to make room for the new spring stock has commenced to arrive</p>		
<p>Caps at four and five dollars now at three.</p> <p>New spring prints now on hand.</p> <p>A full line of shoes have just arrived.</p>	<p>Misses Persian trimmed, regular price \$8.50 now selling at \$5.25</p> <p>Men's fur coats regular price \$ 26.00 now selling at " 18</p> <p>Men's fur collars regular price \$7 now going at " 4.60</p>	<p>Ladies Fur Lined Capes Regular price \$ 20.00 Now selling at " 15.00</p> <p>Ladies Fur Capes Regular price \$ 18.00 Now at \$ 13.</p> <p>Misses Coney collars, regular price \$ 3.50 now going at \$ 2.00</p>
<h1>COOPER BROS.</h1>		

THE CITY MEAT MARKET

Supply you with
all kinds of meats and
all times.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO
Take a drive the man
to See is BEN DICK.

THE PLANO CO.
WILL attend to the wants
of those needing farm
MACHINERY.

THE C. P. R.

Will tell you all about
TRAVELLING.



YES THE



MASSEY HARRIS & CO.
ARE STILL IN THE FIELD TO DO
BUSINESS.



Say did



did you know that
Union Bank
Is doing business at
DIDSBURY?

THE MCCORMACK CO.

ARE STILL ALIVE AND DOING BUSINESS AT
DIDSBURY.

YES WE PRINT

Everything from a Card to a
Wedding invitation and in a
most artistic manner. See us.
THE PIONEER.

* DIDSBURY SADDLERY *

The short way to success is buy
at the right place and at right
- - - PRICE. - - -

I have the most up to date stock this
spring that I have ever had.



Hand made HARNESS a Specialty.
An extra stock of LADIES and
GENTS SADDLES and all equip-
ments for the rancher.

Any specialty made on short order.

I have still a large stock of Robes
and blankets which will be ex-
changed for fence posts.

General repairing given prompt
attention.

Harness Oils of all kinds always on hand; Sterling Axle Grease,
Hoof Ointment, Gall Cure Etc. Old saddles taken as part payment
on new ones. Come early and avoid the rush.

LISTEN

Christie will
will say it
next week.

Wm. LIESEMER & Co.

HEADQUARTERS FOR . . .

Shelf and heavy
HARDWARE

STOVES,

TINWARE,

PAINTS,

OILS

DEERING Farm Machinery

Also Local Representative of
C. & E. Railway Landa.
Give us a Call.